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Subject:

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A GMR CONFIGURATION WITH ENHANCED SPIN

FILTERING

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

This is a preliminary amendment for the above referenced Divisional Patent

Application. Please amend the above identified application for patent as follows:

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

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